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UNITED STATES  
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

As you may have noted, the Atomic Energy Commission and the Department of Defense have planned a series of test shots to take place at the Nevada Test Site commencing about mid-February 1955.

It is my belief that it would be of interest to you to witness one of these experiments and should you desire to do so it would be a great pleasure for me to make the necessary arrangements.

There will be official transportation provided departing from the Military Air Transport Service Terminal, National Airport, Washington, D. C. Information is attached which should cover those items necessary for such plans as you may care to make.

Would you let me know if you care to go so that I can have arrangements made.

Sincerely yours,

*James L. Martin*

Chairman

Enclosures:

1. Observer Information Sheet
2. Observer Planning Information

Honorable Allen W. Dulles, Director  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington 25, D. C.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE  
DIVISION OF MILITARY APPLICATION BY/FOR EACH OBSERVER

(Please Type or Print)

EVENT NUMBER

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FULL NAME

\_\_\_\_\_

"Q" CLEARANCE NUMBER

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DATE OF "Q" CLEARANCE

\_\_\_\_\_

OFFICIAL POSITION & LOCATION

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GS GRADE OR EQUIVALENT

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BUSINESS TELEPHONE

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HOME TELEPHONE

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ESTIMATED TIME OF ARRIVAL  
AT LAS VEGAS (IF TRAVELLING  
BY OTHER THAN SAM)

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NEXT OF KIN

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ADDRESS

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TELEPHONE

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INDICATE METHOD OF TRANSPORTATION:

\_\_\_\_\_ SPECIAL AIR MISSION

\_\_\_\_\_ COMMERCIAL TRANSPORTATION  
(RATL, AIR, BUS, PRIVATE CAR)

## OBSERVER PLANNING INFORMATION

1. This inclosure contains preliminary planning information for use of official observers for the test series at the Nevada Test Site commencing about mid-February 1955. An information bulletin for observers will be distributed prior to their departure for the test site.
2. Normally attendance will be limited to those individuals possessing an appropriate "AEC" or Department of Defense clearance.
3. Four shots have been selected for observer purposes. The mode of transportation is optional with the observer; however, for those desiring to utilize it, official transportation has been arranged to depart the Military Air Transport Service Terminal, National Airport, Washington, D. C. at 9:00 A.M. on each of the following dates which are Sundays:

February 20 April 3

Such transportation will arrive at Indian Springs Air Force Base, Nevada the same day it departs Washington. Observers will be housed at Indian Springs. It is planned to return observers to Washington on the Friday following their departure regardless of whether or not a shot has been witnessed. Individuals desiring to travel by means other than outlined above should make their own transportation arrangements.

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A nominal fee will be charged for meals served enroute on Military Air Transport Service and for housing and meals at Indian Springs.

- 4.a. A limited amount of transportation at Indian Springs will be provided to and from Las Vegas for official observers who arrive in Las Vegas by commercial means. In order that such transportation be available to the observer, it is essential that the mode of travel and time of arrival in Las Vegas be furnished the Test Organization well in advance. Transportation from Indian Springs Air Force Base to and from the Nevada Test Site will be by bus.
- b. In the event of a delay in the test operation, bus transportation for recreation will be provided to and from Las Vegas on an established schedule. Due to a shortage of equipment no other transportation can be provided.
5. Official observers who may wish to discuss publicly their attendance at the test series should confine any remarks to the contents of information officially released.

After arrival at the test site security guidance will be included in the briefing of official observers to assure uniformity of such guidance and to emphasize security aspects of the test series.

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6. To facilitate submission of the information required to make arrangements for each observer a prepared form is attached. Clearance data will be filled in after it is returned. For those observers traveling commercially it is not necessary to provide "next of kin" information. It is requested that the appropriate information be submitted to the project officer noted below at least one week prior to the above listed dates.
7. Cdr. G. J. Anderson has been designated as the project officer and may be contacted for additional information, phone STerling 3-8000, extension 687 or

Room 211

Atomic Energy Commission

1901 Constitution Ave.

Washington, D.C.

Att.

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles

REMINDER:

You wanted to call Mr. Strauss  
about this today.

  
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(DATE)